

MICHIGAN MATTERS.

IN CONDENSED FORM FOR
EASY READERS.

A Herd of Cattle Wrecked on a C. & W. M.
Train and the Engineer and Fireman
were Scalded to Death.—Dabe Killed
by Its Mother.—Russian Thistles Here.

Boodle at Lansing.
Rumors of boodling aldermen and city officials have become so numerous in Lansing recently that the common council has been sitting as a court of inquisition, but gathering very little damaging evidence. Commissioner Beck, of the board of public works, testified that he had been told by Martin Fitzpatrick, a contractor, that \$1,000 had been placed in C. P. Downey's hands for Ald. James J. Baird in case the plans of Bell & Marble for the proposed new city hall should be adopted by the council. This and all other testimony was promptly met by denials.

Train Ditched by Cattle—Fireman Killed.
Passenger train No. 5, northbound on the Chicago & West Michigan road, was ditched by striking a herd of cattle on the track near Brookings. The engine, baggage car and one coach went down the bank. Engineer John Patterson, of Grand Rapids, was scalded from head to foot, and died soon after. He was single. Fireman John Kabe, of Hart, was badly scalded and hurt otherwise. He lived only about an hour. He was married and leaves a family. Mrs. C. R. Dockery, of Grand Rapids, was badly hurt in the back.

They Put Gasoline in Wash Water.
Mrs. George Kitch and Mrs. Effie Walters, of Lansing, went down by a barn to wash. They took a gasoline stove and while it was lighted Mrs. Kitch went to put some gasoline in the wash water, when an explosion occurred, setting fire to the barn, which was filled with grain and hay. It was destroyed, and both women's hands and faces were badly burned, and but for the timely assistance of a neighbor, Mrs. Walters would have been burned to death. The fire spread across the river to two other houses, but was controlled before any serious damage was done.

The Dreaded Russian Thistle in Michigan.
The dreaded Russian thistle, hitherto unknown in Michigan, has been discovered in Charlevoix. Prof. C. F. Wheeler, consulting botanist of Agricultural College, pronounced it the genuine Russian thistle. Mr. Wheeler is investigating. The Charlevoix specimen will be sent throughout the state that people may be on the look-out for this terrible thistle, which spreads with remarkable rapidity, and once started is almost impossible to check.

Murdered Her Baby.
Mrs. Marion Davis has disappeared from her home six miles from Big Rapids. It is alleged that she is responsible for the death of her six days' old baby. Her nurse declares the infant was given carbolic acid by the mother. The coroner's investigation is said to have sustained the fact of death by carbolic acid.

Preferred Death to Prison.
Edward Kemp, a 4-year convict at Jackson, committed suicide in his cell by hanging himself with two towels to the cell door. Kemp had been a convict twice before. There were no evidences of anything wrong with Kemp mentally. He was 35 years old and came from Berrien county three years ago.

MINOR MICHIGAN NEWS.

Mary Stenton, aged 19, committed suicide at Bannister by taking Paris green.

Owing to the boodle charges at Lansing all the city hall plans have been rejected.

The thirty-eighth annual fair of the Ionia association will be held at Ionia, October 2-6.

Thomas McCansland, eight years old, of Alabaster, was run over and killed by an engine.

Leslie Snell, of Ionia, aged 16, was fatally injured by a falling tree, both legs being broken.

Rev. Reuben S. Goodman, 76 years old, chaplain of the Soldiers' Home at Grand Rapids, is dead.

Fifty descendants of Charles Andrews helped celebrate his 90th anniversary near New Haven.

Mrs. Margaret Simpson, of Pine Lake, was killed by a train on the Air Line railroad at Orchard Lake.

Crystal Falls is going to have a saw mill with a daily capacity of 50,000 shingles and 40,000 feet of lumber.

The annual reunion of the survivors of the Second Michigan Infantry will be held at St. Johns on September 9.

The Ophir gold mine, near the Soo, is working only 12 men, but the weekly product is about \$700 worth of ore.

The state council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit association convened in Battle Creek with 70 delegates present.

Mrs. George League was completely scalped by her hair getting caught on the line shaft in the canning factory at Tipton, Ind.

A proposition to bond the city of Allegan for \$6,500 to improve the water works system, was defeated by a majority of 58.

The A. O. U. W. reunion was held at St. Joseph with an attendance of about 2,500. Lodges in Michigan and Illinois were represented.

Trowbridge Bros. are going to remove their mills, employing 50 or 60 men, from Big Rapids to Iron River in the upper peninsula.

Inco county last year shipped several thousand bushels of potatoes. This year, owing to the drought, there will be no shipments.

About 175 delegates were in attendance at the convention of the Christian Association of Michigan at the First Christian church, Saginaw.

Fire from the thrashing machine of a neighbor destroyed the house and barn of Frank Greenman, a farmer near Morrice. Loss \$6,000.

Roy, the 3-year-old son of George Coleman, of Traverse City, was choked by a bean that lodged in his throat and died within ten minutes.

Department Commander Kanitz says that during the first half of 1894 600 veterans dropped from the rolls, because they couldn't pay their dues.

Mrs. Dr. W. A. Farnsworth, while lighting a friction match, was struck in the eye by the exploding head and her sight is permanently destroyed.

George Kile, charged with felonious assault upon the 9-year-old daughter of Mike O'Hara, near Mt. Pleasant, was arrested by Sheriff Kane, 20 miles west of Big Rapids.

Aldice G. Eames, of Cornell, and S. M. Hammond, of Yale, have been appointed to the vacant chairs of English and the sciences at Orchard Lake military academy.

Burglars broke into M. Herschell & Sons' clothing store at Dundee and took about \$600 worth of stock, consisting of 41 suits of clothes and other clothing, jewelry, etc. No clue.

J. J. Wright, a laborer, is charged with criminally assaulting the 8-year-old daughter of his employer, Banker Driscoll, of Corunna, nearly killing her. Lynching was threatened.

The thirty-third session of the Michigan conference of the United Brethren in Christ was held at Grand Rapids with 35 delegates present. Bishop Weaver, of Dayton, O., presided.

Edward Graf, a stonemason of Ann Arbor, committed suicide. He took a dose of laudanum. Despondency and family troubles were the causes. He leaves a widow and several children.

An aggravated case of tuberculosis was discovered in a cow belonging to James Lewis, near St. Johns. Fifteen head of cattle exposed were quarantined and the affected cow was killed.

A man supposed to be J. A. Matthews, of Kalamazoo, killed himself at the Tower hotel at Chicago. He had closed the windows, plugged the keyholes and turned on the gas, and was dead when found.

John Beardsley, 30 years of age, was drowned in St. Johns mill race in Hillsdale. He was a cooper and went out to the race to get some hoops to work, and fell in and was drowned before he was discovered. The water was only 12 inches deep.

There is a mystery surrounding the death of John Allison, whose body was found on the street at Traverse City. Nearly all the circumstances point to suicide, although some assert that he was the victim of foul play, alleging robbery as an inducement.

William Smith, of Traverse City, has not been heard from since he went fishing over two weeks ago. He is supposed to have sailed out of the bay in the dense fog instead of toward land. His boat is reported found but no trace of the man.

The first Seventh district annual convention of the W. R. C. was held at St. Johns, and represented by 84 members and delegates. Mrs. Mary Cornell, of St. Louis, was chosen delegate to the national convention in 1895, and Mrs. French, of Ithaca, alternate.

Willie, the 12-year-old son of Editor Sherman, of the Port Huron Times, was drowned at Huronia Beach. The little fellow with two companions was out bathing when he was seized with cramps and after yelling once for help, sank before assistance reached him.

The Sunday schools of Shiawassee county held their first annual rally in Owosso. There were about 4,000 scholars in the line of march, and over twice that number witnessed and cheered the long column. The speaking and picnic took place in Emerson park.

Vernie, aged 17, only son of B. F. Loomis, a wealthy farmer four miles west of Memphis, was standing with the stock of his rifle resting on the edge of a box when it slipped and was discharged, the ball striking the boy squarely in the left eye. No hopes of his recovery.

The third grand rally of the Sunday schools of Jackson county at Jackson was a big affair. Three miles of children in line and marching was a sight that delighted the eyes of thousands. From 12,000 to 15,000 were in line, and fully twice as many on the fair ground, where a picnic was held.

The Seventh Day Adventists' annual camp meeting will be held at the state fair grounds in Lansing, commencing September 10 and continuing two or three weeks. Usually the attendance is upward of 5,000, but this year an unusually large number of the faithful are expected to turn out.

As the western express entered Ypsilanti the engineer discovered a man walking on the track. He blew the whistle but without attracting his attention and he was struck by the engine and thrown a distance of 30 feet. When assistance arrived life was extinct. He is unknown.

C. M. Dorasia, a farmer eight miles north of Port Huron, was accidentally shot and killed. He and Elmer Newton were out hunting for a skunk when the shotgun carried by Newton was discharged by the trigger catching on to some underbrush. The charge entered Dorasia's head back of the left ear.

The mammoth passenger steamer Northwest, running between Buffalo and Duluth, ran hard aground near Bar Point lightship, at the mouth of Detroit river. There was considerable of a panic among the 400 passengers at first. She was released after a day's delay without serious damage. Dense smoke caused the accident.

The Northville brass band, of which Editor Neal, of the Record, has been manager this season, has secured the contract for furnishing the music at the state fair at Detroit. The village is very proud of its band and the boys are receiving compliments on all sides. Prof. Jenkins, their leader, led the only Michigan band represented at the World's Fair last year.

Fannie Samuels, 10 years old, while playing with other little girls at Battle Creek, made some cigarettes of dried clover leaves and while smoking them, set her dress on fire. Her clothes were burned off, and she was so terribly injured that death will result.

HUNDREDS BURNED.

DEATH AND DESTRUCTION IN
THE FOREST FIRES.

Many Towns Burned and at Least 400
Lives Lost in the Roaring Sea of Flame
Which Spread over Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin.

The forest fires which have prevailed in Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin have at last taken the long expected turn and as a result scores of towns have been badly burned—a number completely destroyed—and hundreds of people have been burned to death, while terrible want and suffering have been spread over the regions afflicted.

Pine City, Minn.: Minnesota has never known a calamity attended with such a loss of life as that brought by the fire which wiped out Hinckley, Mission Creek, Sandstone, Sandstone Junction, Pokegama and the other settlements in that vicinity. A conservative estimate places the loss of life at not less than 450, while many others have sustained serious injuries and unknown others are among the missing. To this horror of death in its most horrible form must be added the utter desolation and destitution that has come upon thousands of persons whose all has been swept away in the face of impending winter. The generous instincts of a generous people have been roused and adequate measures of relief are under way.

The town of Hinckley, about half way between St. Paul and Duluth, has been wiped out by forest fires and the list of dead may reach 400. It will certainly exceed 300 and the reports now being received would indicate that the larger figure may not be too great. The walls of the school-house, the iron fence about the town hall property, the bank vault and one absolutely uninjured out-house, are all that is left to mark the site of Hinckley where stood a score of store buildings, and a dozen times as many dwelling houses. Several men escaped from a train which was burned near Hinckley and reached St. Paul on a hand car. The other passengers fled along the burning track to Pokegama station. Several were overcome and fell by the side of the track and were soon consumed. The situation of the residents was extremely pitiable. The men had been fighting the fire for hours and the women and children were in a panic-stricken condition. Probably 200 of them left town on foot or in vehicles, plunging into the woods to the north across the Grindstone river, which skirts the town on the north. They were literally fleeing before the pursuing demon of fire. Over the hill that rises beyond the Grindstone is a swamp, and to this most of the people with teams headed, but it proved no protection. The fire gave them no opportunity to go farther. Some abandoned their teams and ran into the lower portions of the swamp, but the fire sought them out. Not one was left to tell the tale, and there in a space of little more than four or five acres were found over 130 corpses. There were many families, the men generally a little in the lead, the mother surrounded by her little ones, cut off by the most terrible of deaths.

Those who fled to the north on foot, followed the Duluth track and so rapid was the progress of the flames that many of them were actually burned as they fled. Nearly 30 bodies were recovered along the track. Some of the foremost met the Duluth train coming in from the north. Engineer Jim Root was at the throttle. He stopped the train and took on board about 125 of the refugees who crowded into the train, completely filling it. By this time the woods were blazing on each side of the track, and as Root reversed his engine and started back the cars scorched and cracked in the heat. Root ran the train back about three miles to Skunk Lake, and the people escaped from the burning cars to the water and no lives were lost either of passengers or refugees.

All that remains of what was once the prosperous village of Sandstone is the small shack used by the Sandstone company for an office. The situation here was even more appalling than at Hinckley, except in point of numbers. Of the 200 people in the town one-fourth are dead. Otto Stafferfeld reached St. Paul from that place. He says the people were just preparing to leave when the fire closed in on the sides and not a single person saved a thing except his clothing. About 100 went to the river and 50 or 60 were burned to death. He saw over 40 dead bodies, charred and burned, lying on every side. In addition to 47 bodies at Sandstone there are 20 at Kettle River junction. All the settlers in the vicinity are probably burned to death. O'Neil Bros. had 12 camps in the woods there, and all these are burned. Most of the inmates, however, are believed to have escaped with their lives. There are 11 homeless families at Mission Creek and many at other small points.

Later reports place the number of dead at Hinckley at 200. The St. Paul Pioneer Press correspondent actually counted 141. The totals are as follows: Hinckley, 200; Sandstone, 62; Miller, 12; Pokegama, 28; in lumber camps and scattering, estimate, 50; total, 351.

The Atlantic Record Lowered.

The Canada line steamer Campanian, sailed from New York and arrived at Quebec, bringing with her another new trans-Atlantic record of speed. She passed Danat's rock at 5:34 a. m., having made the passage to that point in five days 10 hours and 47 minutes. Heretofore the eastward record has been five days 12 hours and seven minutes, made in November, 1893, by the Campanian.

A number of mills have reopened at Lowell, Mass., giving employment to 3,600 men.

Ye Sung Soo, Korean minister to the United States, is ill with nervous prostration in San Francisco.

Chinese in Chicago are organizing a society which has for its object the overthrow of the present dynasty in China.

Ambrose Leklider and Robert Tuchs started from Huron to Havana, O., with two large casks of ammonia. The casks exploded with terrific force and both men were instantly killed.

CONGRESSIONAL NEWS.

SENATE.—Sixth day.—This was the last day of the second session of the Fifty-third congress. There was just a score of Senators present at the opening. The visitors' galleries were crowded. Mr. Ramsey, of North Carolina, offered the customary resolution to notify the President that the two houses were ready to adjourn, and then a recess was taken. Upon resuming a message was received from the House announcing the death of Representative John R. Shaw, of Wisconsin. Mr. Wade offered the customary resolutions of regret and Senators Mitchell, Callum, Davis, Roach and others were appointed to attend the funeral. The committee appointed to call upon the President announced that he had no further communications to make to congress, and at 2 o'clock the vice-president declared the Senate adjourned without a day. House.—The attendance on the floor was very light, the great majority of the members having already gone to their homes. The resignation of Representative Gates, recently elected governor of Alabama, to take effect December 1, was laid before the House. The speaker of the House appointed a committee to investigate the Ford's theater disaster. The resolutions to the effect that the members of the navy law with the McKinley law, and the Wilson bill as it passed the House was called up by Mr. Richardson. The committee appointed to wait upon the President, composed of Messrs. Wilson, Holman and Hepburn, reported that they had no further communication to make to congress. The President also requested that Mr. Wilson, to congratulate the House and Senate on the close of their session, and the individual members a happy and prosperous vacation. At 2 o'clock the speaker, with a bang of his gavel, declared the House of the second session of the Fifty-third congress adjourned. Great cheering greeted the announcement.

War in Samoa.

Dispatches from Mariposa, Samoa, say: About a fortnight ago the rebels destroyed the houses of government supporters at Tanalili. King Malleton informed the consular representatives of his inability to preserve law and order in Samoa any longer and begging them to interfere. Thereupon the British warship Curacoa and the German warship Buzzard bombarded Lautuanu, which, however, the rebels had burned and evacuated during the night, retreating to Salafata. The war vessels and royal troops followed them up. Salafata was found deserted. At day dawn the troops encountered the enemy and a pitched battle ensued, the former losing two killed and one wounded. The enemy's loss is unknown. Later the morning was opened fire and continued firing until a letter was sent aboard from the rebels offering to surrender, and peace was arranged.

LATER.—News has reached Mariposa, that there has been further fighting between the rebels and government troops, the former having been joined by a force of 800 strong under Tamasese, and that the rebels are now determined to fight to a finish.

Michigan and Ohio Men Honored.

Both Ohio and Michigan were honored by the supreme lodge of the Knights of Pythias, at Washington, by the selection of the supreme chancellor and vice chancellor from those states. The election was held at the headquarters of the order at the Elberton hotel, and resulted as follows: Supreme chancellor, Walter B. Kiehl, of Ohio; supreme vice chancellor, Philip T. Colgrove, of Michigan; supreme prelate, Albert Steinhart; supreme master of the exchequer, Thomas G. Sample, S. K. R. S. R. L. C. White, of Nashville, Tenn.; supreme master-at-arms, A. B. Gardner, of New York.

Big K. of P. Encampment.

The Knights of Pythias encampment at Washington was one of the largest in the history of that order. The feature of the Pythian encampment was the grand parade of the uniform rank. Fifteen thousand Knights were in line, marching by state brigades, and the procession was more than two hours passing the presidential reviewing stand. Pennsylvania avenue was crowded with more than 100,000 people, a large proportion of them visitors from out of the city. The President reviewed the procession from a small stand erected on the curbing just in front of the White House.

Gov. Waite, of Colorado, Locked Up.

A warrant was issued at Denver for the arrest of Gov. Davis H. Waite, of Colorado, on the charge of opening and retaining a letter addressed to Mrs. Likens, formerly matron at police headquarters. The warrant was issued by United States Commissioner Hinsdale, who also issued warrants for the arrest of President Dennis Mullins, of the police board; Hamilton Armstrong, chief of police, and Kate Dwyer, matron at police headquarters. Gov. Waite, after his arrest, created quite a scene in Commissioner Hinsdale's office, but finally plead, "Not guilty."

NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Wisconsin cranberry crop is an utter failure because of forest fires.

The health of the czar is causing general anxiety in Russia. There is no longer any doubt that his majesty is threatened with grave kidney troubles.

Fully 200 delegates and many visitors attended the third annual convention of the Michigan Liquor Dealers' Protective association at Jackson.

Mrs. E. A. Jewell, who lives five miles from Romeo, was assaulted by a tramp who stopped at her house, in the absence of her husband, to get something to eat.

Madison Cheadle, a farmer in Morgan county, O., was taken from his house by white caps and beaten almost insensible and then hanged to a tree. A tramp cut him down in time to save his life.

The Ancient Order of United Workmen held its grand lodge meeting in Odd Fellows' temple at Cincinnati. There were about 400 delegates, and from 700 to 1,000 members of the order in attendance.

J. M. Moore, of Pueblo, Col., a Coxegite and O. A. R. man, who was tramping to his home from Washington, is dead of starvation in Creston, Ia. He had had nothing to eat but raw wheat for four days.

Chas. D. Glascock, of Washington, has sued for divorce from his wife on scriptural grounds. Senator Stewart, of Nevada, is named as co-respondent. Mr. Stewart alleges blackmail, claiming husband and wife are still living together.

Five hundred children marched in the Newaygo county Sunday school rally.

EARTHQUAKE AND FLOOD.

A Town in Texas Visited by a Frightful
Disaster.

A terrible catastrophe befel the thriving town of Uvalde, Texas. The calamity was entirely unexpected. The Leona river, swollen to a raging torrent by recent rains, rushed without a moment's warning down upon the town, submerging and wrecking many houses and drowning a number of people. In this arid section such destructiveness by the elements has never before been chronicled. In the excitement of the day it is not definitely known how many have been drowned. Eight bodies have been found.

It was about 2 o'clock in the morning when the flood came. The weather had been threatening and there were ominous clouds in the west. An earthquake shock of some seconds duration preceded the rush of water. The earth cracked open on each side of the river, the seams apparently having no bottom. The loss to the Southern Pacific is enormous, forty miles of track and many bridges having been washed away. The damage to the Southern Pacific extends eastward about 75 miles from Uvalde. A rough estimate of the loss to property in general and railroad will, as far as known, reach \$1,500,000.

1,000 Chinese Burned to Death.

A terrible fire has occurred on the Canton river, China. A flower boat caught fire and the flames spread until hundreds of those craft, which infest the river in multitudes, were destroyed. The progress of the fire was so rapid that at least 1,000 natives perished in the flames. The flower boats were moored stem and stern, in rows, and large numbers of natives lived upon them. The spread of the conflagration from one boat to another was so rapid that the unfortunate Chinese had no time to cut them away from their moorings, a strong wind materially helping the increase of the fire. Many hundreds of persons on board the flower boats leaped overboard and were drowned, while several hundred others remained on board the doomed craft and perished in the flames.

Ships Wrecked by Smoke.

The forest fires which have prevailed for the past few weeks in Michigan and Wisconsin have been the cause of dense clouds of smoke lying heavily upon Lakes Michigan and Superior. At least 12 vessels were more or less damaged as a result. At the lower end of Lake Michigan vessels felt their way between dangerous reefs and shoals as if their crews were blind. The losses will be very heavy.

THE MARKETS.

New York.
Cattle—Natives.....\$4.25 @ 5.25
Hogs.....5.15 @ 5.30
Sheep—Good to choice.....2.00 @ 3.00
Lamb.....3.00 @ 3.45
Wheat—No. 2 red.....51 @ 52
Corn—No. 2.....56 @ 57
Oats—No. 2 white.....34 @ 35

Toledo.
Wheat—No. 2 spot.....53 @ 54
No. 2 December.....52 @ 53
Corn—No. 2.....56 @ 57
Oats—No. 2 mixed.....32 @ 33

Buffalo—Live Stock.
Cattle—Mixed shipments.....3.25 @ 4.00
Sheep.....2.00 @ 2.50
Lamb.....4.00 @ 4.50
Hogs—Choice weights.....0.20 @ 0.50
Common and rough.....0.00 @ 0.80

Cleveland.
Cattle—Best.....\$4.00 @ 5.50
Others.....3.00 @ 3.80
Hogs.....5.00 @ 5.85
Wheat—No. 2 red.....51 @ 52
Corn—No. 2.....56 @ 57
Oats—No. 2 white.....32 @ 33

Pittsburg.
Cattle.....3.00 @ 4.85
Hogs.....2.00 @ 3.00
Sheep and lambs.....1.50 @ 2.50
Wheat—No. 2 red.....52 @ 53
Corn—Mixed.....56 @ 57
Oats—No. 2 white.....32 @ 33

Cincinnati.
Cattle—Good to prime.....\$3.75 @ 4.50
Lower grades.....2.25 @ 3.15
Hogs.....5.00 @ 5.80
Sheep and lambs.....1.50 @ 2.50
Wheat—No. 2 red.....51 @ 51 1/2
Corn—No. 2 mixed.....56 @ 56
Oats—No. 2 white.....31 @ 31 1/2

Chicago.
Cattle—Best steers.....\$3.10 @ 4.10
Common.....3.50 @ 4.10
Sheep and lambs.....2.00 @ 2.25
Hogs.....5.00 @ 5.25
Wheat—No. 2 red.....51 @ 51 1/2
Corn—No. 2.....56 @ 57
Oats—No. 2 white.....32 @ 33
Mess pork, per lb.....12 1/2 @ 13
Lard, per cwt.....8 1/2 @ 8 3/4

Detroit.
Cattle—Good to choice.....\$3.50 @ 4.50
Lower grades.....2.25 @ 3.15
Hogs.....5.00 @ 5.80
Sheep and lambs.....1.50 @ 2.50
Wheat—No. 2 red.....52 @ 53
Corn—No. 2.....56 @ 57
Oats—No. 2 white.....32 @ 33
Hay—Timothy.....11 @ 11 1/2
Potatoes—per bu.....3 @ 3 1/2
Butter—Dairy.....14 @ 21
Creamery.....15 @ 22
Eggs—Fresh.....13 @ 15
Live poultry—Spring chickens.....7 @ 8
Ducks.....4 @ 7
Turkeys.....8 @ 15

WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE.
NEW YORK.—Dun's review of trade says: The activity which came with exhausted stocks and the pressure of delayed fall demands, and was increased by the removal of uncertainty about the tariff, has continued with heavy entries of foreign goods since the bill became a law. The gain is not yet what was expected and business is good in comparison with last year, is still poor in comparison with preceding years. Presumably there has not been time to take the full effect of the change in the tariff, and gain will be more healthy and encouraging than a spasmodic rise, but the expansion of commercial loans has suddenly ceased, prices of manufactured products show weakness rather than strength and there has been a reaction in the stock market. Wheat moves largely and western receipts were nearly twice as large last month as for August last year, and Atlantic exports were but little more than one-half of the number of bushels exported the same month last year. Nevertheless there was a slight gain in price last week. Corn receipts were one-third to one-half those of last year, and consequently the price advanced. Pork and lard also went up. The demand for products of iron and steel has increased, but prices tend downward where any change appears, as there is not enough business yet to employ the works in operation. The failures the past week, were 184 in the United States, against 234 last year and 40 in Canada against 20 last year.

NEW YORK.—Bradstreet's says: At all but a few of the cities from which special telegrams are received favorable influences are shown to have been at work, resulting in still further improvement in the business situation since the settlement of the tariff question. The free-trade clause of the new tariff resulted in heavy withdrawals of that staple and re-acted actively among manufacturers. The outlook for iron and steel is not for an early advance in prices, due to increasing output. Thus far funds to move crops have not gone west as freely as anticipated. At Cleveland previous to the business situation was relatively firm, but firmness in late freights and in the demand for money. Cincinnati manufacturers are quiet and there is only a moderate demand for heavy goods and groceries. Detroit's interior trade is less active than it would have been except for the drought. Chicago reports gains in grain and all lines of business, especially in clothing and shoes, and in iron and steel. Other western cities report distinct gains.

SLEEPLESS NIGHTS

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Hood's Pills cure all liver ills. 25c.

FACTS AND EVENTS.

Peruvian guano was first brought to this country in 1837.

Postage stamps are gummed by a starch paste made from potatoes.

The Farmer's Bank.

His best bank is a fine meadow, a big potato patch, a forty in World's Fair winter wheat, and twenty acres in monster rye. The best meadow is made by sowing Salzer's extra grass mixtures THIS FALL. It yields from 3 to 5 tons magnificent hay per acre. The Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, who are the largest farm and vegetable seed growers in the world, will send you a package of new wheat and rye, and catalogue upon receipt of 4 cents postage.

It is said that whales can remain under the surface of the ocean for an hour and a half.

The remarkable statement is made that during the last 100 years France has lost 6,000,000 soldiers in war.

WALTER BAKER & CO., of Dorchester, Mass., the largest manufacturers of pure high grade, non-chemical treated Cocoa and "Chocolates on this continent, have just carried off the highest honors at the Mid-Winter Fair in San Francisco. The printed rules governing the judges at the fair, states that "One hundred points entitles the exhibit to a special award, or Diploma of Honor." The scale, however, is placed so high, they say, that it will be attained only in most exceptional cases." All of Walter Baker & Co.'s goods received one hundred points, entitling them to the special award stated in the rules.

Carleton—Did you hear that Giddy-boy and his wife had had frequent quarrels since their marriage? Montauk—I don't believe it; they live in one of those measly little flats where there is not even room for an argument.

FOR BURNS, SCALDS, BRUISES and all pain and soreness of the flesh, the grand household remedy is Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Be sure you get the genuine.

Little Johnny—Our school teacher is going to get married. I think there ought to be a law against school teachers gettin' married. Mother—Dear me! Why so? Little Johnny—Just think what a awful time their poor children will have.

SOME SUMMER SUMS.

If you add—
Green apples.....